

MISSOURIANS AS DEFENDERS OF U. S.

Assistant Postmaster General Dockery Addresses State Society.

Missourians who have figured prominently in American history were extolled last night by Third Assistant Postmaster General A. M. Dockery at the regular meeting of the Missouri Society in the Ebbitt.

DAY OF SACRIFICE FOR JEWISH FUND

Women of the Capital Will Raise Quota Assigned.

With more than four-fifths of their \$20,000 quota in this city of the Jewish relief fund already subscribed, workers will today redouble their efforts to complete the necessary contributions within the next few days.

Suggests Stamp Sales In Public Schools

At least 5,000,000 school children in America may become savers through the suggestion of Frank A. Vanderlip, chairman of the National War Savings Committee, yesterday.

THE VOICE OF JOHN THE BAPTIST AGAIN HEARD

REPENT YE, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND

By DR. JAMES E. TALMAGE.

WE BELIEVE THAT THROUGH THE ATONEMENT OF CHRIST ALL MANKIND MAY BE SAVED, BY OBEDIENCE TO THE LAWS AND ORDINANCES OF THE GOSPEL.

WE BELIEVE THAT THE FIRST PRINCIPLES AND ORDINANCES OF THE GOSPEL ARE—(1) FAITH IN THE LORD JESUS CHRIST; (2) REPENTANCE; (3) BAPTISM BY IMMERSION FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS; (4) LAYING ON OF HANDS FOR THE GIFT OF THE HOLY GHOST. (Articles of Faith 3 and 4.)

The personal ministry of Jesus Christ in the flesh was directly heralded by the preaching of John the Baptist, whose voice was that of one crying in the wilderness; "REPENT YE, FOR THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN IS AT HAND." The proclamation of the appointed harbinger was vindicated by the appearance of the Lord Himself, who came and opened the way of the Kingdom of God to all who would enter therein.

In these modern days that same John, now a resurrected personage, has again officiated on earth. In him was vested the old authority of the priesthood of Aaron. On the 15 of May, 1833, a heavenly messenger, who declared himself to be John known as the Baptist, appeared in light and glory, and, laying his hands upon the heads of the modern prophets, Joseph Smith and a companion in the ministry, conferred upon them the Aaronic Priesthood, saying: "UPON YOU MY FELLOW SERVANTS, IN THE NAME OF MESSIAH, I CONFERR THE PRIESTHOOD OF AARON, WHICH HOLDS THE KEYS OF THE MINISTRY OF ANGELS, AND OF THE GOSPEL OF REPENTANCE, AND OF BAPTISM BY IMMERSION FOR THE REMISSION OF SINS." (Doctrine & Covenants, Sec. 13.)

Thus was fulfilled in part the vision recorded in the ancient Revelation, that in the last days an angel would come, "having the everlasting Gospel to preach unto them that dwell on the earth." (See Rev. 14: 6, 7.) Repentance, which stands eternally established as an indispensable condition of salvation, is today proclaimed anew under the authority of the restored Priesthood, and the call to every nation, kindred, tongue, and people. The second advent of Christ is near, and but little time remains to prepare for His coming, which shall be in power and great glory, to the accompaniment of the resurrection of the righteous dead, the glorification of the worthy who are still in the flesh, and the destruction of the wicked and hopelessly wicked.

Repentance, as the ordained requirement whereby remission of sins may be attained, consists essentially in a genuine sorrow for sin and comprises: (1) a personal conviction of guilt; (2) an earnest desire to secure forgiveness; and (3) a resolute determination to forsake sin and follow the path of righteous living. The first step in the course of effective repentance consists in the acknowledgment of sin before God; the second in the sinner's forsaking those who have sinned against him; and the third in his acceptance of Christ's atoning sacrifice as shown by a willingness to obey the divine requirements embodied in the Gospel of salvation.

1. Without sincere confession of sin repentance is impossible. The

Fifth Avenue Tied Up By Breaking of Mains

New York, Dec. 8.—Two women were almost drowned in a basement in lower Fifth avenue today when a water main burst and flooded cellars in the neighborhood. The hysterical cries of the women, Kate Muligan and Bridget Powers, were heard by a policeman. They were rescued from the top of a washstand to which they had climbed. The water was six feet deep.

JUVENILE PROTECTIVE WORKERS ENROLL 18

District Association Hears Talks on Reform Activities.

Eighteen new members were admitted to the Juvenile Protective Association of the District at its first annual meeting in the Shoreham Friday night. J. Wilmer Latimer is president of the organization.

How Chicago cleaned out its vice dens and succeeded in making decent its saloons, cabarets and dance halls was told by Mrs. Joseph T. Bowen, president of the Juvenile Protective Association of Chicago.

Dr. Hastings Hart, of the Russell Sage Foundation, spoke of the need for organized, earnest effort in the work of the volunteers, by whom the work of the association must be done.

Kaledine Is Surrounded By Rebellious Cossacks

Petrograd, Dec. 8. (via London).—Gen. Kaledine is reported surrounded at Smolny by some of his own Cossacks, with few hours to live. There is good reason for believing that these Cossacks will kill him because of their rage against him for leading the movement against the government. Since the Kornilov affair he can hardly expect a better fate than Gen. Dukhonine, killed by soldiers who took him on a train en route to Petrograd.

Orchestra Leader Locked Up

Cincinnati, Dec. 8.—Ernst Kunwald, leader of the Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra, was arrested today and sent to the Dayton County Jail for detention during the war.

REFORM BUREAU TO MEET HERE DEC. 13

Noted Speakers Will Tell of Uplift Work During Year.

The International Reform Bureau will hold its annual convention here December 13 and 14. Dr. Wilbur F. Crafts is superintendent and treasurer of the bureau. The bureau is engaged in lecture work, literature distribution and the promotion of all moral and social reforms.

A unique feature of the convention will be the introduction of an English breakfast each morning, served at 8:30 in the St. James Hotel, at which time there will be heartings and committee reports and meetings. There will also be a series of luncheon and supper conferences served in the Church of the Reformation, three doors east of the Library on Pennsylvania avenue. Briefly, the noon open meeting will be held in the First Congregational Church.

4,200 DIE BY BLAST

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fort to keep warm. Not a single house which still stands as the semblance of itself but has its quota of homeless who are glad to gain its slight protection.

Most Windows Gone.

Glass is sorely lacking in Halifax, nearly every window in the city having been shattered in the blast which carried so much death and destruction. In some instances, tarred paper has been pressed into service, but the supply of this is short and the penetrating cold swirls and blows through the dwellings.

Thirty thousand persons, the majority of them women and children, were made destitute when no less than 5,000 homes went out. The ever-increasing blanket of snow is spreading inland, and it is believed that before morning the relief trains that are hastening here will be cut off far from the city.

Trains from Halifax bearing the wounded to places of succor are also reported snowbound, and the delay of the relief trains will be large. Snow plows are being operated in an endeavor to dig them out.

Some measure of relief and comfort was provided by the arrival today of a supply train from Boston, which fought its way through a blinding snowstorm. The people, starving and desperate, surrounded it at the station, begging for food. Women, chilled with cold, held out hands already withered from lack of nourishment, begging for food. Children, huddled at their skirts, whispered with voices almost too weak to be heard, "Men, who had wrapped their dear ones in their coats and overcoats, stood shivering in the blasts, awaiting a turn to get food or clothing for wives and children.

Canadian Pluck Shown.

Truro, Nova Scotia, Dec. 8.—The same indomitable Canadian pluck which flamed and triumphed at Vimy Ridge asserted itself in full force today at Halifax and pulled the shattered city to its feet.

System Is Revelation.

American traveling men who remained in Halifax to assist in rescue work declared today that the organization of the Red Cross in the stricken city was a revelation.

Notwithstanding the innocent aspect of the circumstances attending the collision of the Belgian relief ship with the munition-laden Mont Blanc, there are many in Halifax who are reluctant to believe that the coming-together of the vessels was an accident. A rigid inquiry is under way and it is reported that the crew of the relief ship, a Norwegian freighter which was beached on the Dartmouth side of the harbor, were pursued through the Dartmouth woods and are now under arrest in a nearby jail. The pilot has not been found.

enormous waves for two blocks up the sloping streets of the city. Every one engulfed by this mixture of powder, coal and vapor, the living as well as the dead, were blackened beyond recognition.

U. S. DESTROYER SUNK

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was torpedoed at 8 o'clock in the evening.

It is assumed here that the torpedo struck the Jacob Jones at fair blow full amidships, for she must have sunk in a very short time. The thirty-seven survivors who have been picked up were found on a raft.

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